

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re U.S. Patent Application of )  
SUZUKI et al. )  
Application Number: To be Assigned )  
Filed: Concurrently Herewith )  
For: **DISK ARRAY DEVICE AND REMOTE  
COPYING CONTROL METHOD FOR DISK  
ARRAY DEVICE** )  
Atty Docket No. WILL.0002 )

**Honorable Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above identified application as follows: